

Today's
Advertisements.

EXTRAORDINARY!

THEATRE ROYAL.
POSITIVELY ONE NIGHT ONLY.TO-NIGHT
(SATURDAY), the 11th Dec., at 9 P.M.
MR. FRANK LINCOLN.
THE WORLD-FAMED HUMORIST
will give hisMELO-MONOLOGUE
ENTERTAINMENT
consisting of
MUSICAL TRAVELTIES AND SOCIAL
SATIRES.TICKETS—\$1, \$2 and \$3.
Seals may be booked at W. ROBINSON & Co's.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1897. [1810]

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

SMOKING CONCERT
(INDOOR).TO-NIGHT, the 11th December, at 9 P.M.,
in aid of Band Funds.SOLOISTS:—
M. Mack (From Brussels) "Conservatoire."
Baudouin Boushine "Bassoon."
E. Mow, Esq. "Zither."
W. G. Bentley, Esq. "A.R.C.M." "Clarinet."
Songs, Recitations, &c., by other Gentlemen.
ADMISSION—
TICKETS may be had from the Sergeants of
the Corps or at the door.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1897. [1820]

LOST.

PROBABLY at the CITY HALL, on the evening
of 10th December, 1897, a CATSEYE
set in DIAMONDS.
Whoever shall return the same to the Under-
signed will be suitably REWARDED.
ALFRED G. WISE.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1897. [1831]CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship
"KANSU,"
Captain Somerville, will be despatched as above
on MONDAY, the 13th instant, at 2 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1897. [1835]DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship
"HAILONG,"
Captain Hall, will be despatched for the
above Ports on TUESDAY, the 14th instant,
at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAIR & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1897. [1838]FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.THE Steamship
"CATHERINE APCAR,"
Captain E. Fey, will be despatched for the
above Ports on FRIDAY, the 17th instant,
at 3 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1897. [1833]CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND
PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.THE Company's Steamship
"TSINAN,"
Captain Ramsay, will be despatched on
FRIDAY, the 17th instant, at 3 P.M.
The attention of Passengers is directed to the
Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer.
The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the
Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the
Supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire
voyage.A daily qualified Surgeon is carried and the
Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.
N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company
to and from AUSTRALIA are available for return
by the Steamers of the EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN
S.S. Co. and vice versa.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1897. [1786]AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVI-
GATION COMPANY.(UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN
GOVERNMENT).STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,
BOMBAY, KURACHIE, ADEN, RASSANA,
SUZ, PORT SAID, BRINDISI, VENICE,
TRIESTE, and GENOA.
(Taking Cargo at through rates to CALCUTTA,
MADRAS, TRIVAN GULY, RED SEA, BLACK
SEA, LEBANT, ADRIATIC, and SOUTH
AFRICAN PORTS.)THE Company's Steamship
"TRIESTE,"
Captain A. Mills, will be despatched as above
on SATURDAY, the 12th instant, P.M.
Cargo will not be received on board after 3
P.M. prior to date of sailing.
For further information as to Passage and
Freight, apply to
SANDER & Co.
Agents.
Hongkong 11th December, 1897. [1839]

MOGUL-WARRACK-MILBURN LINE.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship
"SIKHA,"
is to call about the 15th December, 1897.
S.S. "PORT ADRIATIC" about 15th Jan., 1898.
S.S. "ARGVILL" about 15th Feb., 1898.
S.S. "GHAZEL" about 15th Mar., 1898.
S.S. "LENOX" about 15th April, 1898.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1897. [1857]Today's
Advertisements.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE

STEAM TO
YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.
(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)
THE Company's Steamship"ROSENZOLLERN,"
Captain H. Blaker, will leave for the above Ports
on or about FRIDAY, the 17th instant.
For further Particulars apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1897. [1811]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship
"PRINZ HEINRICH,"
Captain O. Coppers, due here with the outward
German Mail about THURSDAY, the 16th
instant, will leave for the above place about
SATURDAY, the 18th instant.
For further Particulars apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1897. [1812]

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRICKSHANK &
COMPANY,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

LEMONADE.

GINGER ALE.

SARSAPARILLA.

RASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are
made under the constant supervision of a duly
qualified English Chemist and will bear com-
parison with the best English Manufactures.
Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, RESTAURANTS and
other Large Consumers.
Any complaints should be addressed to the
Manager.
Hongkong, 11th March, 1897. [1806]NOW READY!
IN HANDY PAMPHLET FORM.A FULL CAREFULLY REVISED and
accurate account of the

INTERPORT CRICKET MATCHES

With a Critique on the Week's play, the
Festivities connected with the Carnival and the
baiting and fielding of the various teams.
PRICE, 50 CENTS PER COPY.
Orders will be promptly attended to by
The Manager
THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH"
OFFICE,
No. 6, FIDLER'S HILL.
Hongkong, 10th November, 1897. [1713]A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES & SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London
House, bought direct at first hand, imported in
wood and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all
intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply
the best goods at MODERATE PRICES.PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on
Application.PORT after removal should be rested a month
before use. When required for drinking at
once it should be ordered to be decanted at
the Dispensary before being sent out.

SHERRY—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner

Wines of very superior Vintage. All are
true Xeres Wines.CLARET—Our Claret, including the lowest
priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine
product of the juice of the grape and are
not artificially made from raisins and
currants, as is generally the case with Cheap
Wines.BRANDY—All our Brandy is guaranteed to
be pure Cognac, the difference in price
being merely a question of age and vintage.WHISKY—All our Whisky is of excellent
quality and of greater age than most brandy
in the market. THE SCOTCH WHISKY
marked "E" is universally popular, and is
procured by the best local connoisseurs to
be superior to any other brand in the
Hongkong market.We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to
be genuine when bought direct from us in the
Colon or from our authorized Agents at the
Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong 10th December, 1897. [1857]

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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Advertisements, &c., be addressed to the "Manager, Hongkong
Telegraph" and not to the Editor.
Letters to Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and
not to individual members of the staff.
Communications intended for publication must be accompanied
by the name and address of the writer, not necessarily for
publication, but as evidence of good faith.
While the columns of the Hongkong Telegraph will always
be open for the fair discussion by correspondents of all questions
affecting public interests, it must be distinctly understood that
the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for
opinions thus expressed.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers are requested to forward all notices intended for
insertion in this day's issue not later than Three o'clock on or
about FRIDAY, the 17th instant.
Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a
fixed period will be continued until countermanded.
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English newspaper published in the Far East, and it therefore
offers the best medium for Advertisers. Terms can be found in applica-
tion. The Hongkong Telegraph's number at the Telephone Central
Exchange is No. 1. Telegraphic address—"Telegraph,"
Hongkong.

BIRTHS.

At Kobe, on November 24th, the wife of C.
W. M. BIRCH, of a daughter.
On the 4th December, at 57, Stephen Road,
Shanghai, the wife of C. RUD. HEINSEN, of a
daughter.

MARRIAGE.

On the 8th December, 1897, at the Union
Church, Hongkong, by the Rev. G. J. Williams,
HARRY KAYE CECIL FISHER, to MAY AMANDA
GREENE. [1834]

DEATHS.

On the 28th December, at the International
Hospital, Kobe, H. F. SOMMER, late Captain,
China Mutual Steamship Navigation Company's
s.s. "Ochik." [1834]
At Yokohama, on November 27th, HEINRICH
TODD, a native of Mainz.
On the 29th November, at Singapore, Captain
W. MOORE, s.s. "Yuan," aged 53.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1897.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

For the edification of the Governor we
reproduce the remarks of the Singapore
Free Press on a dispute in the southern
port over a few dollars of Jubilee money:—
It is satisfactory to hear that this affair is
settled in the proper way. It is pleasant to
see the prevailing Hebraic idea of Govern-
ment forgotten once in a way; and if the
"shent-pen-shent" itch could only be
mitigated so far as to drop that unspeak-
able design of coining a few dirty dollars
out of the loyal desire to worthily perpe-
tuate the memory of Her Most Gracious
Majesty's long and happy reign, then it
may be possible to soften in some degree
the asperity of those terms in which local
history must recount the annals of this
present dispensation. To sell a site for a
Victorian memorial may be a legitimate
mode to a certain class of mind of raking
in a squeeze, but it is always worth bear-
ing in mind that, even if self-applied to
one's own character and career, is a fast
colour.There is no very exciting news of the
progress of the partition of China but it is
going on quietly all the same. Day by
day the Russians are doing their share and
we may feel pretty certain that the Ger-
mans also will do theirs in spite of the
report that China has agreed to concede
everything for the sake of getting Kiao-
chow evacuated. It will be extremely
surprising if Kiao-Chow is evacuated and
we will believe it when we see it. From
the systematic way in which Germany set
about building forts and winter barracks,
sending shiploads of stores simultaneously
with the despatch of more ships to the East
and the announcement of large increases
in the naval expenditure, it may be fairly
concluded that Germany has made up her
mind, or at any rate the Emperor has
made up Germany's mind, to settle down
in China permanently. It may be that
Kiao-Chow "will only be used as a
coaling station" but we feel certain that it
will be done in such a way as to be very
different from the Portuguese tenure of
Macao or even the British tenure of Hong-
kong. There may, perhaps, be no specific
declaration that Kiao-Chow is a portion
of the German Empire, but the Germans
will remain in possession, and that is
enough. With people like the Chinese it
is impossible to have intercourse for any
length of time without disputes arising and
sooner or later Germany will be compelled
to assert herself again. If Hongkong had
been a portion of the German Empire,
Kwangtung would have been annexed
bodily long ago. Our misfortune is that
we have at our backs a Government
which consistently refuses to recog-
nise our wants or to assert our claims
when we have even the most glaring
cause or complaint against our neighbours.Sir CHARLES DIXIE has been writing a
series of articles for the Singapore *Free
Press* in which he says that the military
contributions of Crown Colonies really
ought to be increased. In one part of his
argument he says:—India pays the whole cost of her own defence
in the name of peace, and as compared with the
Crown Colonies is in this respect unjustly
treated, though abstract justice would perhaps
rather require the contribution of the Crown
Colonies to be increased than that of India to
be diminished. The contribution of Singapore
towards defence was recently reduced, although
that rich colony already paid on a far lower
scale than does the poorer country India. It is
indeed difficult to see upon what principle
that is a very similar country to
Southern India, but richer, should make a
military contribution proportionately much less
than that which is made by any part of the
peninsula of India, to which it is geographically
all but attached. In this jubilee year the
presence at home of detachments of the Colonial
forces has raised in men's minds the natural idea
that we might gain strength for the Empire by a
defence contribution. It is at least conceivable
that in time of action, war Australia might be
willing to take part by sending troops to the
defence of India and if the war was one in
which India was heavily interested. I myself believe that this contribution would
take place.His object is such as to qualify him for
an appointment under the Colonial Office.
He says in fact that the Crown Colonies
are not treated as justly as India and
therefore they ought to be treated a little
more to make things level. We quite
agree that India, in Sir CHARLES DIXIE's
own words, "is in this respect unjustly
treated" and we strongly disagree
with his next remark that the way to do
justice to India is to do a further injustice
to us. It comes to this, that England
does not pay for its own defence.
That is to say, that the forts put up here are
just as much for the defence of England
as for any other purpose. Still we have
to submit and take out our money's worth
grumbling because Hongkong is such a
small place. There is all the difference
between a Crown Colony and those which
are called "The Colonies." They are
Colonies; this is not. There is all the
difference in the world about Sir CHARLES
DIXIE's remarks about Crown Colonies
and his remarks about "The Colonies." He
does not use the word "require" when he
speaks of "The Colonies." In Australia
although the taxpayers have to pay the
full cost of local defence, they have the
full power to say how much that shall
amount to. Thus, they cut their coat
according to their cloth. They raise what
Volunteers they want, they make what
forts they think fit, they spend what money
they can spare, and the Home Govern-
ment respectfully considers how much
they might be willing to do "in a
cause in which Australia was interested." Here,
on the other hand, our cloth is
cut for us by somebody else according
to the Downing Street pattern of coat
and instead of gently enquiring what
we would like, we are told what we
must do.We still consider it is partly the fault of
the Governor in spite of what his apologists
say. We cannot help thinking that he
could have done very much more with the
Secretary of State if he had tried. Instead
of allowing himself to be browbeaten at
every end and turn he could have well af-
forded to adopt a different attitude, not that
we wish to incite His Excellency to flout
defy the authorities or pull down the
Union Jack and raise the "Jolly Roger." We
do not wish to be incendiary or
revolutionary as that, but there is a right
and wrong way to do everything. We are
not even saying that Sir WILLIAM
ROBINSON acted in the wrong way. In
some cases he adopted neither way and
simply left things undone. When it
comes to imposing a gold loan on the
colony His Excellency says "I fought
and I thought and I told the Secretary
of State and the thing was done." Small
credit to him if that was the way it
happened, but it is at least as unkind,
on his own showing, that he
fancies he can tell the Secretary of State
what shall be done. Still it must be re-
membered that His Excellency's statements
are sometimes "unfortunate and
misleading." What we would like is to
see him say something "yulgar and scurri-
lous" for a change, and if it had no other
result it would at least induce a little fresh
air into the Downing Street Chamber.Some anti-Spanish papers in the United
States have been printing romantic stories
of the cruel imprisonment of a "high-born,
beautiful and accomplished young lady,"
CISLEROS, by the Spanish authorities in
Cuba. Ultimately it appears she was
forcibly rescued by the correspondent of
an American newspaper, which, of course,
made the most of the thrilling adventure
and gloried in its defence of international
law and other things. Opposition papers
have been cruel enough to print pictures
of Senorita CISLEROS, from which it
would appear that she is not high-born
and is probably not a paragon of accom-
plishment. The name she bears is that of
her mother and not her father, which may
amount to anything or nothing. But the
adventure is in itself striking in spite of
carping criticisms. Hereafter journalists
will have to be even more versatile than
ever and no reporter's outfit will be com-
plete without scaling ladders, skeleton
keys, fire-escapes, dark lanterns, dynamite
and revolvers with which to manu-
facture "copy." In the Philippines Re-
bellion there was a female figure round
which a large amount of romance was
woven, but there are people in Hongkong
who smile grimly at any reference to the
heroine and say things tending to throw a
very different light on her personality.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S MESSAGE.

ARMY REFORMS.

LONDON, December 9th.
Lord Lansdowne has been speaking at Edin-
burgh on Army Reform, and, in sketching his
programme, he said that Great Britain required
(a) to have always three Army Corps at home
to repel any possible invasion, (b) to be able at
any time to mobilize two more army corps for
offensive purposes abroad, (c) to despatch small
bodies as required without mobilization, and (d)
to punctually supply all the needs of India and
the Colonies. He made a proposal to re-group
the infantry on a basis of four battalions in-
stead of two, and to arrange for the re-engagement of
a small number of Army Reservists annually, for
extra pay to be in readiness in case of operations
not justifying the calling out of the whole
Reserve. He hoped to provide the soldier with
a "clearing" day, day pay, and to be able to
enlist some for three years with the option of
entering the Reserve, or remaining with the
Colours. He also said that he was determined
the Army should not be deficient in anything.("HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SPECIAL.)
SHOCKING SUICIDE AT
YOKOHAMA.Kobe, December 11th.
1.25 p.m.Captain Waddilove (of the Indo-China
Steam Navigation Company) committed
suicide at Yokohama with a razor.An inquest has been held, the jury
deciding that deceased committed suicide
while in a state of insanity.THE SITUATION IN THE
NORTH.SHANGHAI, December 11th.
1.20 p.m.There is no further news of German
movements in Shantung. They are still
in possession of Kiaochow. The rumours
about the Russian fleet occupying Port
Arthur are baseless. The main body of
the Russian fleet is at Nagasaki and one
or two cruisers are in Korean waters at
present.LATER.
It is reported that Germany has agreed
to evacuate Kiaochow and that China
cedes to her a harbour on the coast of
Fuhkien province as a coaling station.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The buying rate for sovereigns is \$10.29 per £.

FRANK LINCOLN's last appearance at the City
Hall to-night.VOLUNTEERS' "smoker" to-night at 9 o'clock
at Headquarters.THE *Bayard* and *Disartes* left to-day for Wel-
on. They left port through the Ly-se-moon
Pass.JAPANESE papers report that the Russian cruiser
Roris is to relieve the *Admiral Nachikoff* on
this station.The cricket match Hongkong Cricket Club v.
Navy resulted in a win for the latter by 48 runs
—Navy 203, Club 154.The Commandant of the Volunteers has been
pleased to approve of the appointment of Gunner
A. P. Nobbs to be bombardier.Lord Stanley's colt *Chislingham* won the
Liverpool Autumn Cup; *General Peace* was
second and the Duke of Westminster's *Labrador*
third.Mr. CHAMBERLAIN promises that, next year, the
Government will deal with the army, strength-
ning it, and making the position of the private
soldier more desirable and more honoured.His Excellency the Governor will deliver a
lecture entitled "Two small sketches of two
great men" at a meeting of the Odd Volume
Society at Government House on Wednesday,
the 22nd inst. at 5.45 p.m.Messrs. Hailing, Boschmann and Menzel in-
form us that the Norwegian steamer *Tanoid*
on a voyage from Cebu to Yokohama ran ashore
near Port Colborne, Trismote Island, on or about
the 30th ult. Further particulars are unobtain-
able.We publish to-day in our supplement the full
text of the able and instructive paper on the
"Steam Engine Indicator" which Mr. W. S.
Bailey (late Chief of the *Hongkong*) read last
week at the Engineers' and Shipbuilders' In-
stitute.THE Band of the West Yorks Regiment will play
the following programme at the Officers' Mess
to-morrow evening:—Overture—*Die Fledermaus*—Wagner
Nocturne No. 3 (Op. 9)—Chopin
Cavatina de No. 1—Liszt
Selection—*Les Femmes de Jezebel*—Bizet
God save the Queen.THE Chinaman who was remanded last Sat-
urday on a charge of wounding a woman in Little
Hongkong and who was remanded for observa-
tion, was again brought before the Magistrate
to-day. He was declared to be sane and was
bonded over in the sum of \$25 to keep the peace
for six months.Dr. G. E. Morrison, the Peking correspondent
of *The Times*, left Vladivostok on the 22nd of
November for Chiaofoo and Peking. He has just
completed a three months' journey, travelling
from Vladivostok round the Amur provinces to
Stratenski, returning to Vladivostok through
Manchuria along the line of the projected rail-
way, the works of which he has carefully in-
spected.* * * * *
ANOTHER blocked drain has been discovered
in the vicinity of the P. & O. office running
parallel with the line of the Prays, and the
P.W.D. authorities are busily engaged in open-
ing it up right along the road. If the amount of
chloride of lime put into the excavations and the
thickness of the surrounding atmosphere be at
all trustworthy signs, we should say, in the
words of mining reports, that a line of rich
pay dirt has been struck with large pockets at
frequent intervals. How far the newly dis-
covered drain extends is at present a mystery, but
it is some consolation to know that it does not
run quite round the island!An awkward meeting took place in Hongkong
the other day during the visit of the Straits
cricket team, says the *Malay Mail*. It seems
that one of the Selangor men, while out for a
stroll, unexpectedly came face to face with a
Chinese gentleman in full mandarin attire, and
in whom he instantly recognized the former
Chief Clerk to the Kuala Lumpur Sanitary
Board, for whose apprehensions a warrant was
issued some years ago for certain defalcations,
but without success. Needless, perhaps, to say
that Mr. Tan Kiat Ho, for he it was, did not
wait to be accosted, but, at once altering his
direction and consequently putting in a double
quick march, soon disappeared from the scene
leaving gas of the other gentleman.A SHANGHAI contemporary learns from Kin-
hsang that the corpse of one of the foreign
bonges there has been the Vanishing Act. It
was reported that his delirium, amounting to
something between 37,000 and 50,000 taels. He
is a young man, and has succeeded so far in
evading the search that is being made for him.In his *Weekly Share List* issued at noon to-
day Mr. Erich Georg reports:—Business during
the week under review has been very slack, and
with the exception of Green Islands, which have
improved a good deal, and some business in
Mining stocks, hardly anything has been done.
Cash rates ruled weak, but a fair demand for
time shares above the equivalent of cash rates,
indicates a belief in higher rates after the Chinese
New Year. The market has been adversely
influenced by the approach of China New Year,
but most of our Companies are doing well and
earning good dividends, and as this money
market shows signs of an easier tendency, we
should see an all round improvement ere long.
The rate of exchange on Shanghai for three
days' sight private paper is down to 73.MR. GEORGE JAMNIKOV returns very shortly to
Shanghai to be Consul-General and Commercial
Attache. This appears to be an attempt by the
Foreign Office to cury out the wishes of the
China Association, but is really an evasion.
What is wanted is an official who can give
his whole time to travelling about and study-
ing commercial questions, with headquarters
at Peking; whereas it is a physical impossi-
bility that the Consul-General at Shang-
hai can properly perform the duties of Com-
mercial Attache. It is, says the *N. C. Daily
News*, presumed that Sir Nicholas Hamden will
remain Chief Judge here until the new treaties
come into force in Japan, when the British Court
at Yokohama will be abolished, and Mr. H. S.
Wilkinson will not improbably succeed Sir
Nicholas as Chief Judge at Shanghai. But
much may happen in the next two years.THE San Francisco *Argonaut* may be a trust-
worthy guide in San Francisco local affairs,
says the *Globe*, but its knowledge of London
journalism is more peculiar than extensive. It
describes the *Globe* at a paper of "compara-
tively recent birth." Comparisons are proverb-
ially odious; but it might surprise the San
Francisco *Argonaut* to learn that the *Globe*
flourished before San Francisco, to say nothing
of its *Argonaut*, existed, though in 1853 there
were certainly a number of educated people in
England who had heard of a place called
America. The foregoing reminds us of a little
anecdote. In a lawsuit a legal gentleman of
colour was cross-examining a solicitor. "You
are a solicitor?"—"Yes." "A respectable sol-
icitor?"—"Yes." "How do you know you are
a respectable solicitor?"—"Well, my father,
grandfather, and great grandfather all practised
to the same place, back to the time when your
ancestors were throwing coconuts to each other."The distribution of prizes won at the Regatta
took place at the Victoria Recreation Club this
afternoon. There was a large attendance of
members and amongst those present were Com-
modore Holland, Miss Carrington, Capt. Har-
tling, (President of the Club) and Hon. E. R.
Bellion. Before the prizes were presented
Captain Hartling spoke of the good weather
that prevailed during the Regatta, and also
remarked on the success of certain families
in winning, and in this meeting the prizes
were then presented by Mrs. Hartling and
the recipients were loudly applauded. Mr.
W. Marshall (acting hon. sec.) said that he was
sure he was voting the wish of every mem-
ber of the Victoria Recreation Club in pro-
posing a hearty vote of thanks to Mrs. Hartling.
He was quite sure that they had a pres-
ident in Capt. Hartling who was very much
interested in the affairs of the Club. Cheers
were then given for Mrs. Hartling, Capt.
Hartling and also for Mr. Marshall, who the
President said, acted as Hon. Sec. for the
Club and took up the duties for the Regatta
with only 14 hours' notice. On the proposition
of Mr. Marshall three hearty cheers were also
given for the Commodore.THIS para re the Hongkong Submarine Miners,
R.E., is called from *Truth* of 18th October:—
How is it that the Englishmen of the Hongkong
Submarine Miners, R.E., are not eligible for
promotion in that Corps? One half of the
Company are English, the other half Chinese.
The Chinese are all well promoted, but the
English are excluded. I believe that in
time gone by the rank and file of the Company
were entirely Chinese, and that non-commis-
sioned Officers R.E. were only sent out to
supervise their work as is still done at two
or three other Colonial Stations. Possibly the
state of things above referred to dates from the
time, and has only been allowed to continue by
an oversight. If so, without further delay it
ought to be put right. In any case it would
be well for Sappers to know what they have to
expect before starting for Hongkong, as I hear
of cases in which men have only learned the
impossibility of obtaining advancement after
getting out there.A GREAT diamond robbery, involving the loss of
jewellery to the value of £1

Entertainments.

THE GREATEST BOXING CONTEST
EVER WITNESSED IN
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HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP OF HONGKONG
between
NORTHOTT (H.M.S. Tamar). and **HUCKER**,
(Naval Yard).
12 rounds with 6 oz. gloves.
For valuable purse.
in
CITY HALL

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MONDAY, the 13th December, 1897.
Also 3 other First Class Boats for Handsome
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TICKETS may be obtained from Messrs.
W. ROBINSON & Co.
Soldiers and Sailors half price to second and
back seats.
Doors open at 8.30. First Contest at 9 P.M.
sharp.

HARPER,
Stag Hotel.
Hongkong, 10th December, 1897. [1827]

WEST YORKSHIRE REGIMENT
BAND.
(Assisted by the PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY
ORCHESTRA),
will give a
FAREWELL CONCERT
in the
THEATRE
on
THURSDAY, the 23rd December, 1897.
Proceeds to be devoted to local Charities.
Further particulars will be announced
in due course.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1897. [1817]

Auctions.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of
Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction,
to be held on the 13th of
MAY,
the 13th day of December, 1897, at 3 P.M., are
published for general information.
By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 27th November, 1897. [1806]

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by
Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday,
the 13th day of December, 1897, at 3 P.M., by Order
of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of
CROWN LAND, in the Colony of Hongkong,
for a term of 999 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.	
Lot No.	Particulars.
1	Wongai-chong Road, (South-east of Race Course)
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Hongkong, 3rd April, 1897. [1835]

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Hongkong, 22nd December, 1897. [1818]

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Hongkong, 29th October, 1897. [1650]

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STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
YAMASHIRO MARU	NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKO-	MONDAY, 20th December,
J. Jones	HAMA	at 4 P.M.
SANUKI MARU	MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANT-	TUESDAY, 21st December,
W. Townsend	WERP, via STRAITS (Transhipping	at 4 P.M.
	Cargo for JAVA PORTS), COLOMB	
	and PORT SAID.	
YAMAUCHI MARU	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	THURSDAY, 23rd December,
S. Kawamori		at 4 P.M.
SAGAMI MARU	SHANGHAI CHEMULPO, SHIMO-	FRIDAY, 24th December,
M. J. Curnow	NOSEKI and KOBE	at 4 P.M.
TOKIO MARU	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via	FRIDAY, 24th December,
E. W. Maxwell	THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE	at 4 P.M.
	and BRISBANE	
IZUMI MARU	BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE (Tranship-	TUESDAY, 28th December,
R. Nishimura	ping Cargo for Java Ports), and	at Noon.
	COLOMBIA, WARR, U.S.A., via KOE	
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A. S. MIHARA,
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Hongkong, 2nd December, 1897.

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[1704]

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A REGULAR MEETING of the above

LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS'

HALL, Zealand Street, on MONDAY, the 13th

instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting

Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 4th December, 1897. [1704]

A REGULAR MEETING of the above

LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS'

HALL, Zealand Street, on THURSDAY, the 16th

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Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1897. [1814]

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Hongkong, 9th December, 1897. [1819]

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

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Hongkong, 6th December, 1897. [1804]

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"HAIMUN,"

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above Ports TUESDAY, the 12th instant,

at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Hongkong, 11th December, 1897. [1823]

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To be followed by the

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S.S. "ORWELL" on or about 15th Feb., 1898.

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Hongkong, 3rd December, 1897. [1765]

FOR KOBE (DIRECT).

THE Steamship

"TOYO MARU,"

Captain Hayashi, will be despatched for the

above Port on TUESDAY, the 14th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,

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Hongkong, 3rd December, 1897. [1792]

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Hongkong, 3rd December, 1897. [1793]

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